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## 23% Tax Increase Too Much Suffield Residents Say

"Go back and sharpen your pencils," was the message Suffield residents vehemently conveyed to the Board of Finance at Wednesday's public hearing on the proposed \$8.95 million budget which projected a tax increase of 23 percent.

### Dramatic Tax Increase Rebutted

Though slow to get involved, the more vocal taxpayers among the 300 present expressed varying levels of dissatisfaction with the dramatic tax increase that the 82-83 fiscal budget would require.

The proposed budget would require a tax rate of 30.9 mills, calling for a 5.65 percent rate increase this year.

Frederick Hanzalek, a ten-year veteran of the Board of Finance, said he felt that "hard decisions have not been made" and that the budget should not be passed as presented.

The mill rate increase should be minimized, according to Hanzalek. He said the board must re-examine their figures, emphasizing the impact of a 23 percent property tax increase on elderly who must live on a fixed income.

Resident David Brew of 27 South Stone Street stated that working people could not handle the tax increase either. He said, "I moved here ten years ago, and work as a tool-maker. I used to be able to make it working 40 hours a week. Now I have to work between 50-60 hours a week to make it."

Fran Nebel of 15 First Street responded to the proposed budget, asking the audience how many of them anticipated wage increases of 23 percent.

Mary Dixon, chairwoman of the Republican Town Committee, said a taxpayer whose home is valued at \$50,000 would pay an additional \$282.50 in taxes if he 23 percent increase is passed.

Mrs. Dixon countered complaints over expenses incurred by the new Bruce Park, adjacent to Spaulding School, saying that only 43 residents attended the town meeting which approved the park.

After two hours of expressed dissatisfaction with the Board of Finance, Chairman Patricia Smith requested that townspeople offer specific suggestions for possible budget reductions.

### Glans Cites Debt Service

Carl Glans, past School Committee member and chairman, emphasized that, "The single largest problem with the budget is the amount of debt service." He advised the board to use all of its resources now to cut the budget, adding that the town should use "every cent" of the \$174,000 in surplus funds. He said this would cut almost one mill off the tax increase.

"Further, commented Glans, "we're being asked to pay for Spaulding roof repairs in two or three years. The impact would be lessened by paying for the repairs over a longer period of time."

Glans has repeatedly asked the board to present a capital budget for review each year to get a picture of the entire municipal budget.

Many residents suggested cuts to the School Department budget which commands 63.9 percent of the entire budget. While the anticipated annual increase of the education is 8.2 percent, use of state funds lessens the cost to the town to a projected 6.9 percent.

Attorney Samuel J. Orr of 450 North Main Street noted that enrollment in the schools has decreased 12 percent (from 2,100 to 1,800 students) in the past few years and questioned class size and teachers' salaries in light of these statistics.

Superintendent of Schools Sidney DuPont noted salaries in the education budget have been fixed as a result of arbitration and are not negotiable.

### Budgets Under Fire

Proposed expansion of the Police Department and the size of the Recreation and Conservation Commission budgets also came under fire.

Chairwoman Patricia Smith warned residents that they face a substantial tax increase even if expenses are cut to the bone.

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## Honored Mom Presented Citation

By Cheryl Bruno

Ladies, have you ever wondered what it might be like to be named "Mother of the Year"? For one deserving and very surprised Southwick resident, such an honor became a reality on March 31st of this year.

Mrs. Darlene Utzinger of South Loomis Street was presented a citation by Massachusetts Governor Edward King at a reception held recently in Boston.

The citation names Mrs. Utzinger as the 1982 Honor Young Mother of the Year from Massachusetts as part of the fortieth annual award given by the American Mothers' Association, a national organization.

In addition to receiving one citation from Governor King and another from the association, Mrs. Utzinger was also presented with a necklace symbolizing the association's family togetherness logo.

The love and dedication shown by this woman to family, friends, and church prompted the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Westfield, to which she and her family belong, to nominate her for the award.

Mrs. Utzinger was very surprised and honored to learn of her nomination and of her eventual statewide recognition.

Darlene and Richard Utzinger have four children: Christany, 10; Anden, 7½; Cherish, 5; and Ariana, 2. Family love and togetherness is uppermost in their lives, and they enjoy many activities as a unit. Picknicking and trips to the seashore are upcoming favorites for all six Utzingers. At least one night a week is set aside as "family night" in their home, and no outside interference is allowed to disrupt this special time.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Utzinger are active members of their church community. They both sponsor the church's teen youth group, and Mrs. Utzinger teaches Sunday school as well as running the children's church on a part-time basis.

The LaLeche League, an international organization which emphasizes good mothering through breast feeding, is aided greatly by Darlene Utzinger. She is active on the community level in sharing her skills and experiences for the benefit of other mothers and also currently serves as assistant coordinator of leader applicants for the league in Massachusetts.



TOGETHERNESS AND CARING ARE THE EARMARK of the Utzinger family of 146 South Loomis Street in Southwick. Selected Massachusetts "Young Mother of the Year," Darlene Utzinger reads to her four children - Cherish, age 5 (kneeling); Ariana - age 2; Christany, age 10 (on left); and Anden, age 7½. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

In addition to her other interests, Mrs. Utzinger is also active in the new home-birth movement. Her two-year-old Ariana was born at home in a process she describes as "a beautiful experience" as she proudly adds "Richard is wonderful and very supportive" of her and the family unit.

Classical ballet is an art this honored lady loves and appreciates. Whenever time allows, she is an avid reader and enjoys sewing.

Every Mother's Day is special, but this one will be most memorable to Darlene Utzinger and her family. We congratulate and salute you!

## Suffield Board Ok's 2-Year Pact

By Connie Davis

Board of Education members Tuesday night approved a new 2-year contract for School Department secretaries and cafeteria workers.

The contract includes an 8.95 pay hike in each of the two years for secretaries, while cafeteria workers will receive an 8.8 percent salary increase the first year and an 8.7 percent increase in the second year.

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The meeting was held at Spaulding School so that board members could tour the building with Principal Edward Humphrey and K-2 Principal Eileen Oleksak.

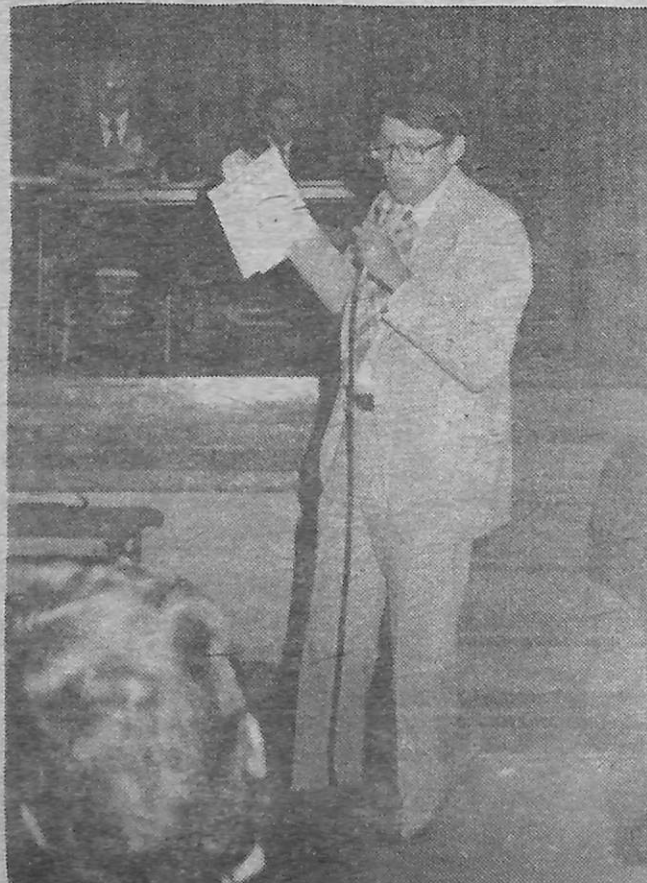
Closing of the West Suffield School in June will relocate first and second graders from that building to Spaulding.

Board members were shown where classes for first and second graders will be held, as well as the relocation areas of kindergarten and grade 3 students. 91 students are expected to be relocated at Spaulding.

Mr. Humphrey explained that grades 1-3 will have the same schedule for recesses and lunch, however, first and second graders will use a separate lunchroom and area of the playground. Recess and lunch periods of fourth and fifth graders will not conflict with the younger students, Humphrey said.

Mrs. Oleksak demonstrated the set-up of the nutrition center to be transported from West Suffield School and installed in one lunchroom.

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SUFFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE Chairman, Bob Newman, defends the School Department budget and 9.3 percent teacher's salary increase at Wednesday night's public hearing at Suffield High School. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.



# Small Voter Turnout Approves Items

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: At a special meeting last Tuesday, about thirty voters approved the transfer of funds to cover costs of a van for the School Department, spring work by the Highway Department, accumulated sick pay for retiring town employees, and interest for anticipated borrowing.

In two articles, voters approved transfers from the Surplus Revenue Account of \$6,342.80 to the Assessor's Clerical Account and \$10,384.20 to the Police Salary Account. Both sums will be paid to retiring employees for accumulated sick days. The Assessor's clerk will be paid \$40.40 a day for 157 days and the police officer \$57.69 a day for 180 days.

Residents expressed concern that the town was forced to pay for sick days when persons were not out sick and that such pay was computed on the present pay scale, not the scale under which an employee was paid when he first began accumulating the days.

Under the present contract, town workers can accumulate fifteen days a year up to 180. Town Clerk Barbara Pooler explained that payment for unused sick days was given in an effort to cut down on sick time taken and the subsequent expense to replace that person temporarily.

Finance Committee Chairman Francis Ehrhardt said his committee is also concerned about this type of clause in town labor contracts, noting "This year, selectmen have hired a professional negotiator hopefully to save the town money."

## Funds Approved For Rescue Vehicle

Those at the meeting unanimously approved the transfer of \$5,000 from the Veterans' Benefit Account to supplement the purchase of a Fire Department rescue truck. The remaining \$30,000 for the truck will come from the Firefighter's Association, which was allowed \$5,000 trade-in value for the 1977 truck.

The present truck, no longer of use to the depart-

ment, has only 2,000 miles on it and will be used to replace the School Department maintenance van. School officials will save \$3,000 from their budgeted \$8,000 for replacement of their van by taking over the present rescue truck.

## Transfer Approved To Clean Streets

Also transferred from the Veterans' Account was \$3,264 to the Highway Department Maintenance Account for sweeping winter sand off the streets and for catch basin cleaning. According to Ehrhardt, the Finance Committee recommended this transfer of the severity of the winter and the amount of sand that was used.

The work will be performed by a private contractor, and "should be done immediately," Ehrhardt said.

Town Accountant Eileen Whiting reported there still remains \$9,000 in the Veterans' Account, a figure state officials told her would be sufficient until June 30th.

## Anticipated Interest Amounts Transferred

Voters also approved a \$5,000 transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account to the Interest Account for temporary borrowing in anticipation of tax collection.

Because of the recent revaluation, tax bills were sent out late, according to Mrs. Pooler. She noted that she cannot collect money for uncommitted taxes, but has collected some funds being held in escrow which will be applied to individual tax bills. Over \$2.3 million must be paid out by the town by the end of June, she said.

Mrs. Pooler said she has earned \$80,000 for the town through investments. She also said she plans to advertise up to fifty parcels for delinquent taxes. She estimated about \$60,000 to \$70,000 in taxes was due the town by property owners who have not yet paid 1981 taxes.

# School Board May Lay-Off 14

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: The School Committee last Tuesday voted to notify fourteen tenured and non-tenured teachers of possible layoffs due to fiscal constraints in the 1983 budget and the possible loss of federal funds for remedial and special needs programs.

Superintendent of Schools Louis Josselyn said this year's list seems long, but he does not expect to lose more than five teachers through lack of local funding and three and a half from loss of federal funds. Some teachers on the list are already on leave from their teaching duties.

According to the teachers' contract, tenured teachers must be given thirty days notice, excluding Sundays and vacation days, of possible dismissal for good cause. The committee will meet June 28th after the annual town meeting to make definite decisions concerning dismissals.

Although the teachers' contract has not been formally ratified, the School Committee voted to accept it so it could be presented to the Finance Committee before the May 10th deadline for town meeting articles.

The new contract calls for a five percent pay increase across the board for teachers on all except the maximum step. Those at maximum will receive a half percent increase.

The committee also approved the administrators' contract allowing a five percent increase in pay.

In other action, the board voted 3-1 to reject the request of former Consolidated School Principal Richard Harmonn for a second year leave of absence. Committeewoman Priscilla Deveno dissented, saying that by allowing the leave, the town would save \$4,000 because Harmonn has more seniority than other administrators on lower pay scales.

Committeeman Jeffrey Youens felt that, while Harmonn's leave would be convenient for the system, he "now has the best of both worlds - a job and also the security of the leave of absence."

Committeewoman Sheila Larkin said the board should not set a precedent for future requests of this kind. Diane Zink also voted against the extension.

The board appointed Marion Sweeney of Worthington as part-time speech therapist for one special needs child. A graduate of Emerson College who developed the speech therapy program at Our Lady of the Elms College, she will be paid at the rate of \$50 for a four-hour day or \$9,000 for the school year.

Parents of the student had requested out-of-district placement, which would have cost the local system \$12,000.

Jean Ripley and Bernadine Feldman, both of Southwick, were appointed managers of the High School and Powder Mill School cafeterias respectively.

## Suffield Distributes Cheese

Suffield social worker Elizabeth Maguire has announced that surplus cheese will be distributed to residents who qualify on Monday and Tuesday, May 10th and 11th, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Suffield Town Hall.

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# Harassing Dogs Hit By Selectmen

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Acting on the request of Dog Officer Daniel Rzonca, selectmen Wednesday told dog owner Trina Gorenc of 9 Feeding Hills Road that if she wants to keep dogs, it is her responsibility to keep them restrained. The board will notify Ms. Gorenc that her dogs have been declared vicious and, if found loose or bothersome, may be shot on sight.

According to a court document, the dogs have allegedly bitten three individuals and have been harassing cattle on Coes Hill Road, Hillside Road, and College Highway farms. One dog was shot by a policeman at the Sikes' farm on Hillside Road during the April 6th blizzard.

Marjorie Gorenc, mother of the dog owner, defended the animals' actions, saying they only chase people who come into her yard and only break loose when other dogs or children harass them. She said the dogs have been neutered recently and "should be calmer."

Mrs. Gorenc protested the expense of a suggested fenced-in area for the dogs. Selectman John Viel told her the kennel expenses could be minor compared to that of damages done by a loose dog. Viel said if nothing is done to restrain the dogs, further complaints would have to be settled by a court.

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Selectmen also heard a complaint from Gus Mussmann of 34 Buckingham Drive concerning the dumping of garbage and rubbish by the Oclair family on property adjacent to his. Both pieces of property abut an unused strip of town land.

According to Mussmann, besides general rubbish, large appliances, a trailer, and slab wood have been dumped on the vacant property. "I am embarrassed to have people come to my house because of the dump next door," he said.

Selectmen advised Mussmann to contact the Board of Health to determine the condition of the property. If the extensive powers of that board could not assist him, selectmen said they would then coordinate some action.

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In other action, selectmen officially appointed eleven persons to the Roof Study Committee. The group was charged with investigating every possibility for repair or replacement of school and town roofs as well as proposed energy conservation measures for the schools.

The group is expected to establish priorities, determine how best the work can be done, and cost factors. Their report is to be ready for presentation at the annual town meeting on June 15th.

Selectmen are considering bids for a wing plow assembly to be installed on the town grader. Two bids were opened at Wednesday's meeting and represented a wide discrepancy. Both have been taken under advisement.

The board also reappointed Donald Hamberg as animal inspector for a year, effective immediately.

## Continental Cable Nominated For Award

Suffield: Continental Cablevision, one of the two applicants for the Area 11 cable television franchise, has been nominated by the National Cable Television Association to receive its 1982 ACE Award for cablecasting excellence for "overall excellence and diversity in community programming." The award is the cable industry's highest honor in the community programming category.

The 1982 ACE award nominations were made at the NCTA's convention and final selections will be made at the National Cable Programming Conference in November.

Since NCTA began making these awards, the cable industry's equivalent of the Emmy, in 1974, Continental has received more for community programming than any other cable company in the United States.

The Area 11 franchise will serve Suffield, Enfield, East Granby, Granby, Hartland, East Windsor, Windsor Locks, Somers, Stafford, and Union, Connecticut.

## Suffield Democrats Endorse Betsy Hedden

61st Assembly District candidate Betsy Hedden received the endorsement of the Suffield Democratic Town Committee at its April 29th meeting, which included the two Democratic candidates for the district, Ms. Hedden and Sam Martz.

Campaign Chairman Paul Kulas called the endorsement, which came on a majority vote, a "stunning victory which is indicative of the support Hedden commands in the Town of Suffield."

Ms. Hedden stated, "I am pleased and gratified by the Town Committee's vote which shows their enthusiasm and support for my candidacy."



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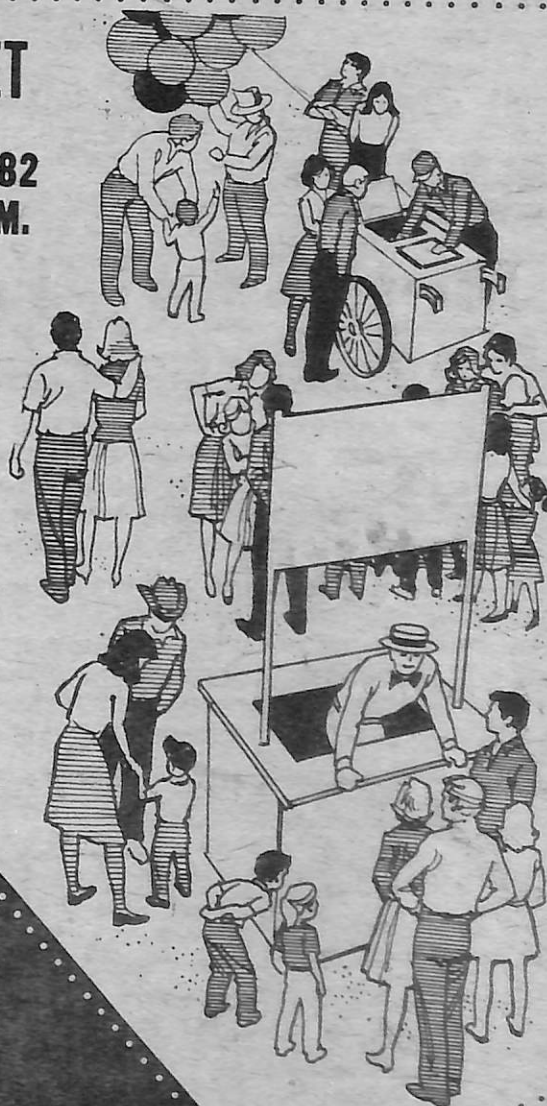
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# Elderly Complex To Be Reviewed

**By Connie Davis**

Suffield Zoning and Planning Commission Monday tabled a request for a zone change which would allow private apartment housing for the elderly and handicapped to be built on Bridge Street.

## Shortage Of Elderly Housing

Attorney John Wyzik requested the zone change for clients Lynne, Laura, and Ann Daddario, noting that there is a "demonstrated shortage of elderly housing in Suffield.

The proposed 48 apartments would be located in 110,128 square foot parcel of land adjacent to Bridge Street and near the business center of Suffield. A pair of two-story, colonial brick buildings with one central parking lot are shown on the plans. Other features include a garden area and shuffle board courts.

Changes in zoning regulations in February waived minimum land and space requirements in planned development zones, allowing construction of apartments for private housing limited to the exclusive use of elderly or handicapped.

Presently, two elderly housing units on Bridge Street, Laurel and Maple Courts, operate under the supervision of the local Housing Authority.

The Daddarios' would own and maintain their apartment building and in all probability would seek federal or state subsidy.

Several abutters voiced concern about the proposed project. Richard Trommer, who lives next to Maple Court, described traffic in the afternoon when Hamilton Standard's second shift departs as a problem for elderly attempting to cross the street.

## What Guarantees

Robert Corriveau questioned what guarantee the town would have that such an apartment building would not be sold for general housing.

Dr. Douglas Viets of South Main Street felt that such housing could change the character of the town due to its closeness to the historic district.

A physician who treats elderly in town as well as in East Granby, he questioned "changing Suffield to accommodate elderly from other states."

Expressing the minority opinion at the hearing was Roger Loomis, former president of the Suffield Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons.

Loomis cited the need for more elderly housing and said that some elderly residents cannot qualify for town elderly housing because their income is above the specified limits.

Zoning Board members plan to review comments made at the hearing and will study the density and traffic factors involved before acting on the zone change request.

**NEW CONTRACT...From Page 1**

Assistant Superintendent Frank Albus stated that repairs to Spaulding School roof are expected to begin in mid-June. Townspeople voted last month to expend \$103,000 to repair the roof of the school's east wing.

Titan Roofing Company of Chicopee, Mass. has been contracted to do the repairs.

Albus noted that the engineering firm of Loomis and Loomis of Windsor will oversee the project. Albus expressed confidence in the engineers who have 25 years experience in structural engineering and as roofing consultants.

Albus anticipates the repairs will take six weeks. \$91,000 is allocated for the roof's repair, \$8,000 for engineering and \$4,000 for micellaneous expenditures.

On the recommendation of Superintendent of Schools Sidney DuPont, board members approved the one-year appointment of Patricia Percoski as Learning

Disabilities Specialist (K-2). Ms. Percoski will be graduating from the University of Hartford in the field and will replace Betsy Cooley, who will spend next year teaching in Venezeula.

Board members also reviewed a report from the subcommittee studying school discipline. The group, chaired by Dr. Charles Kling, is reviewing school discipline policies in surrounding communities. Meetings are scheduled in DuPont's office at McAlister School on Mountain Road each Monday evening in May beginning at 7:30 p.m. Interested citizens are invited to attend.

## TAX RISE...From Page 1

"Commitment for capital expenditures has been made," she explained. "The town cannot go back to the one and two mill increases of past years."

No comment was made by residents regarding the 1.71 mill tax increase due to proposed sewer construction projects.



**SOUTHWICK HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT** employees Dole Seibert (on truck) and Earl LaBombard load town trucks with bagged leaves, lawn trimmings and debris which accumulate over the long, cold winter. Spring Is Here! Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Following three hours of escalating debate, the board promised to consider feedback from the public hearing at their Monday, May 10th meeting and will bring the proposed budget to town meeting slated for Tuesday, May 25th.

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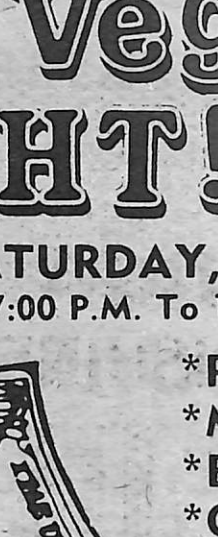
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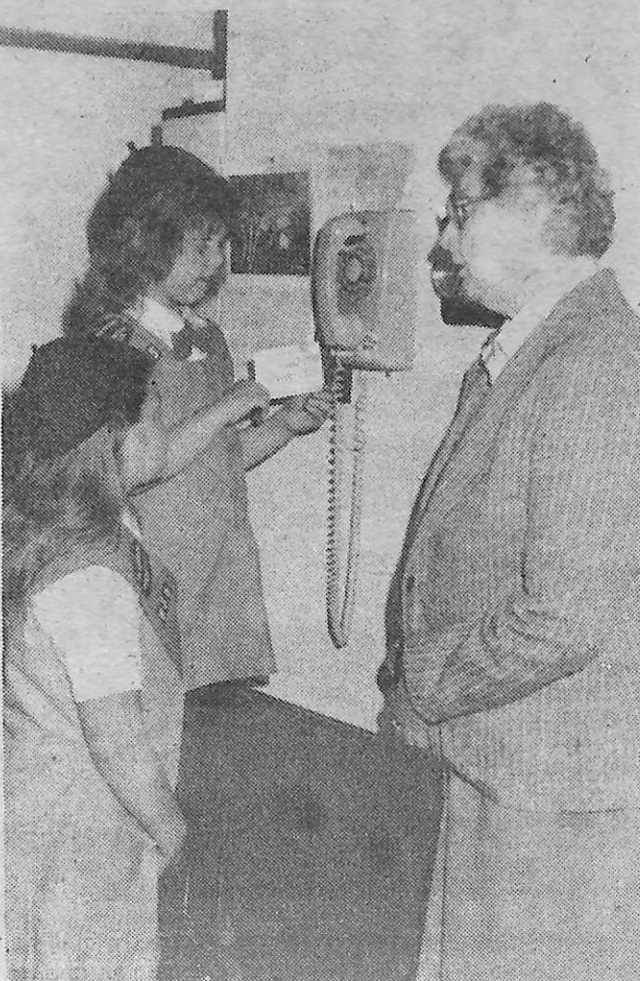
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## Women's Club Plans Annual Meeting & Luncheon

The Suffield Women's Club will hold its annual meeting and luncheon on May 11th in the Connecticut Room of Storowton Tavern in West Springfield at 12 noon.

Mrs. Carmen Nuccio, District I director of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, will install newly elected officers. Past presidents of the club will be honored and a glimpse back into the 88 years of the club's history will take place.

Reservations for members and their guests must be made with Aphie Reidy at 668-7436 or Emily Formanek at 668-2039.

## Democrats Slate Dinner Dance

Suffield: The Suffield Democratic Town Committee will hold its eighth annual Spring Dinner Dance on May 22nd at Oak Ridge Country Club in Feeding Hills. The guest list will include dignitaries from throughout the state as well as local officials.

A "Democrat of the Year" award will be presented to an individual who has given distinguished service to the town of Suffield.

The evening's festivities will begin at 6:30 with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres followed by dinner at 7:30. Tickets are available from committee members or by contacting Susan Kaplan. The donation is \$15 per person.

## Suffield K. Of C. Sets Tag Sale

The Suffield Knights of Columbus will hold a tag sale on Saturday, May 22nd, and Sunday, May 23rd, at the Laurenco Lumber Company on Mountain Road.

Members are seeking items anyone may have to donate. Contributions are tax deductible.

For pick-up of donations on Saturday, May 15th, call (203) 668-5872.

## Literary Club To Meet

Suffield: The Mapleton Literary Club will hold its meeting on May 12th at the home of Marion Fuller, 1053 Mapleton Avenue.

Rocco Autorino, director of the Second Baptist Church Choir, will be the guest soloist.

Co-hostesses for the evening will be Alice Bartlett, Marion Lamont, Marion Warner, Elizabeth Bawn, and Mary Henshaw.

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## SUFFIELD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Sponsored By Friends Of The Kent Memorial Library)

**Mon., May 10:** Emergency Aid Assn. Board Mtg. 1 p.m., Clinic Bldg.; Fire Drill, 7 p.m., Central Firehouse; Board of Finance, 7:30, Town Hall; Prayer Mtg., 8 p.m., Sacred Heart hall

**Tues., May 11:** Women's Club annual mtg., 12 p.m., Storowton Tavern, W.Sptld.; Sacred Heart Guild spring banquet, 6:30, Coachlight Dinner Theatre; Rotary, 6 p.m., Suffield Inn; Boy Scouts 260, 7 p.m., St. Joseph's hall; Housing Authority, 7:30, Town Hall; Library Board of Trustees, 7:30, library; Water Pollution Control Authority, 7:30, Town Hall

**Wed., May 12:** Thrift Shop open 10-3:30, 35 Mountain Road; Police Comm., 7:30, Town Hall; Recreation Comm, 7:30, Town Hall Annex; Retirement Comm., 7:30, Town Hall; St. Joseph's Rosary Guild, 7:30, church hall; Suffield High Booster Club, 7:30, SHS cafeteria; Suffield Grange, 3rd & 4th Degrees, Thompsonville Rd. Firehouse, 8 p.m.

**Thurs., May 13:** Holy Name Soc. Bingo, 7:30, St. Joseph's hall; Selectmen, 7:30, Town Hall

**Fri., May 12:** After school movie "All At Sea," 3:30, Kent Mem. Lib.

## Kent Library Activities

Suffield: The Kent Memorial Library will show the powerful Joan Crawford film *Rain* which was previously scheduled for March 22 on Monday, May 17th, at 7 p.m. One of Ms. Crawford's earliest efforts, this film presents her as a South Seas trollop who vamps a fire-and-brimstone preacher. It will be the last in the Reel Evil series. Admission is free.

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Two films in the bi-weekly series for senior citizens will be shown at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 19th, at West Suffield Congregational Church.

*The Displaced Person* is an adaptation of a Flannery O'Connor short story filmed on a farm in Georgia about a witty and fascinating example of Southern culture into which a well-meaning priest introduces a Polish refugee in the late 1940's.

*Greenpeace: Voyage to Save the Whales* features highlights of the Greenpeace anti-whaling expeditions of 1975 and 1976.

Following the films, the Suffield Recreation Department will provide a luncheon. Admission is free and open to all seniors.

## Bluegrass Event Slated

Suffield: A wide range of country music will be performed at Mapleton Hall on Saturday, May 15th, at 8 p.m. when the Suffield Council for the Arts sponsors "Bluegrass, Country, and Campfire."

Featured will be Suffield's own Skip Gorman, along with Peter Craig and Phil Zimmerman.

The evening will be BYOB with soft drinks available. Tickets are \$2 for council members and \$4 for non-members. Seating is limited and reservations may be made by contacting Lynne Baranski at 668-0655 or writing her at 990 Russell Avenue, Suffield.

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## The Library Link

By Eugene Biggio

The Kent Memorial Library has a service for student job-seekers and persons looking for help in such areas as lawn care, babysitting, odd jobs, etc.

Students in all age ranges, generally 13-16, come to the library and fill out the registration blank which indicates when they can work, what they like to do, and how they can be reached. The library also asks that students write any past work references they may have.

Persons seeking employees then either come in or call the reference desk to obtain the names and phone numbers of prospective employees. While the library makes no recommendation on either worker or work site, the program has been highly successful in previous years.

The job bank for the upcoming summer is now open, and students are urged to come in now. For more information call 668-2325.

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The major fiction title this week is Wilbur Smith's *Flight of the Falcon*. High adventure, a sense of history and romance mark this story of Roby Ballantyne's journey across the African interior.

Nina Bawden's new novel *Walking Naked* deals with one critical day in the seemingly happy, yet growing anxious life of Laura. The whole of her life is fit into a series of reminiscences and incidents for a stylish and witty book.

For the outdoor set, there is *Bicycle Camping*, a quick, easy-to-read resource which covers the gamut from preparation to repairs and even includes a list of bicycle camping clubs across the country.

Also in the transportation area - albeit vicarious - is Ron Hollander's *All Aboard*, the fascinating story of Joshua Lionel Cowen and his Lionel Train Company. Anyone who had a set of those marvelous electric toy trains will doubtless enjoy looking back through this well-illustrated book.

## Contra Dancing Scheduled

An evening of contra dance will be sponsored by the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum in the Mahogany Room of Springfield Symphony Hall on Sunday, May 16th, at 7 p.m.

Contra dances, a graceful community exercise, will be taught by Nick Hawkes to the live strains of traditional New England music. No previous dance experience is necessary.

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## Kent Library Slates After School Movie

Kent Memorial Library will show an after school special movie entitled "All At Sea" on Friday, May 14th, from 3:30 to 4:30.

It's the story of a group of English school children on a cruise who become involved in the theft of a valuable museum painting.

## Suffield Church Plans Bar-B-Q

A chicken barbeque dinner will be held on Saturday, May 15th, at the First Church of Christ on High Street. There will also be a salad bar and dessert provided.

Servings will be continuous from 5 to 7 p.m. and no reservations are required. Proceeds will benefit the church's Organ Fund.

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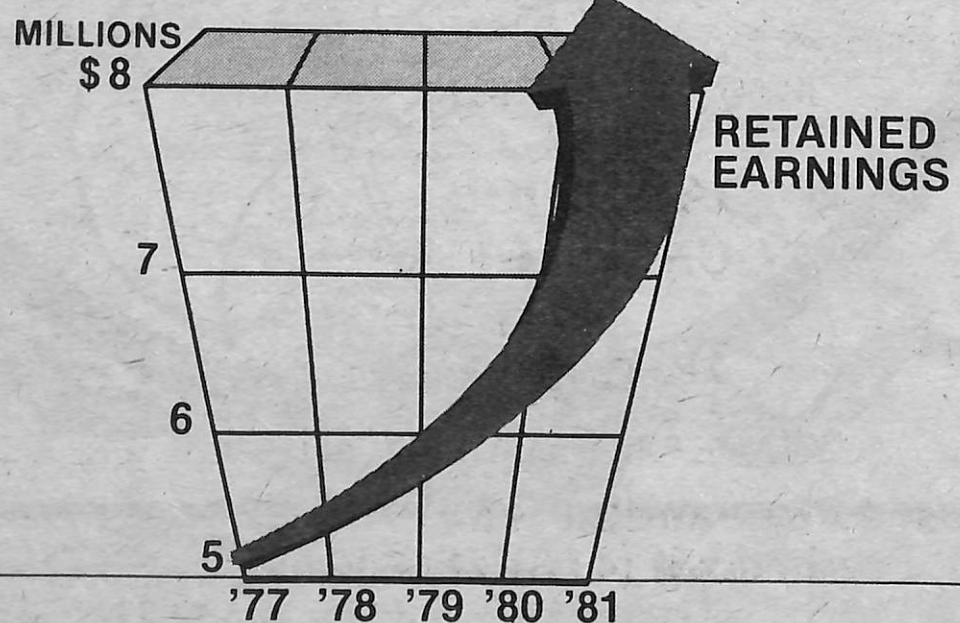
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By Gary C. Smith  
Suffield Savings Bank

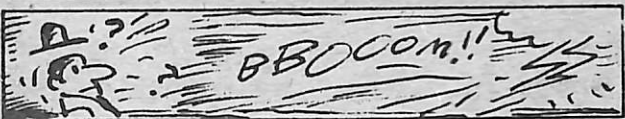
### New 91-Day Certificates

On May 1st, two new savings accounts became available through banks. These are a 91 Day Money Market Certificate of Deposit, and a 3½ Year Money Market Certificate of Deposit.

The new 91 Day Money Market Certificate requires a \$7,500 minimum balance and pays a rate of interest equal to the yield on 91 Day Treasury Bills. It is very similar to the familiar 6 Month Money Market Certificate.

The 3½ Year Money Market Certificate has no statutory minimum balance and each bank can pay any interest rate that it wants on the account. You should contact several bank determine the best rate available if you want to open the 3½ account.

These new accounts are another step in the process of deregulating interest rates and other savings account restrictions. It is almost certain that other new savings accounts will be announced in the near future. Depositors should discuss their financial objectives with their banker before deciding which account to open.

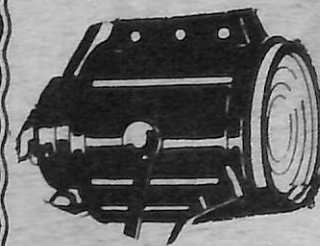


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## Free Blood Clinic



IDA STRATTON of 424 Copper Hill Road in West Suffield takes advantage of the free blood pressure screening being provided by the Emergency Aid Association this month. Helping monitor the blood pressure of residents is R.N. Ruth Cramer (left) and R.N. Anne Harry, both of Suffield. The next session will be held on Tuesday, May 18th at the Emergency Aid Association building at 450 South Street at 1:30 p.m. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.



## SPOTLIGHT ON SENIORS

### SOUTHWICK SENIOR CITIZENS' MENU

**Mon., May 10:** Stuffed cabbage, whipped potato, sliced carrots, rye bread, apricots, milk

**Tues., May 11:** Pork cutlet, oven-browned potatoes, green beans, wheat bread, oatmeal cookies, milk

**Wed., May 12:** Tomato vegetable beef stew, grapefruit juice, claremont salad, rye bread, pineapple upside down cake, milk

**Thurs., May 13:** Baked chicken, stuffing, broccoli, rye bread, banana, milk

**Fri., May 14:** Baked cod filets, buttered rice, peas, wheat bread, mixed fruit, milk

### SOUTHWICK SENIORS ACTIVITIES

**May 12:** Open House at the Senior Center from 1:30 - 3:30. There will be an arts and crafts display and refreshments will be served. Town officials and clergymen have been invited.

**May 17:** C.O.A. meeting at the center at 7:30 p.m.

**May 19:** Blood pressure screening 12:45 to 2:45 p.m.

**May 21:** Foot doctor clinic beginning at 1 p.m.

### SUFFIELD SENIORS' ACTIVITIES

The soup kitchen planned for Wednesday, May 12th has been cancelled.

The Dogwood Festival trip has also been cancelled.

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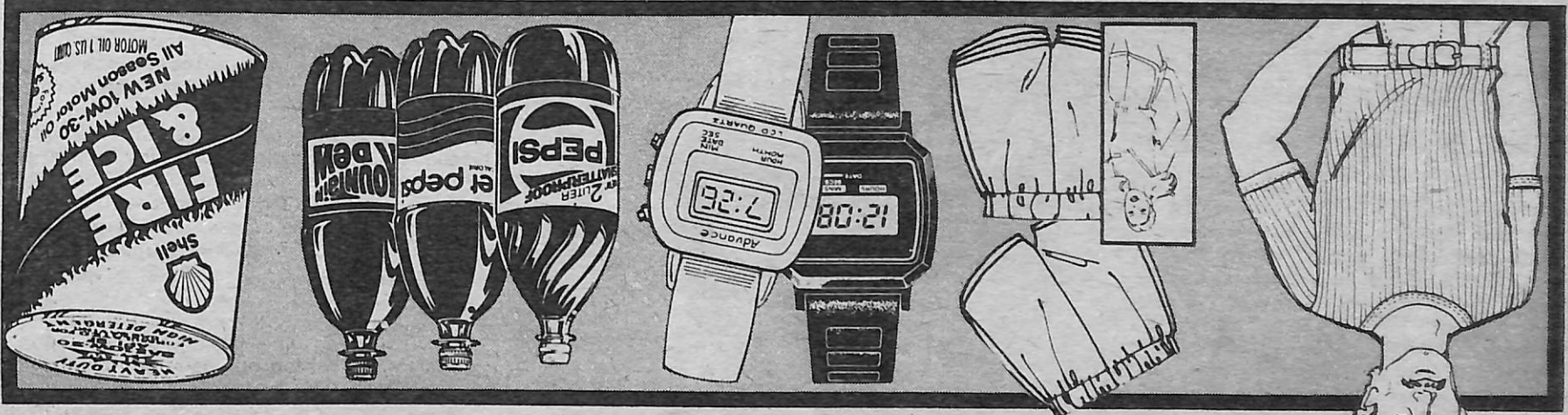
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## Community Scrapbook

By Karen Carlson



### Flo Quagliaroli: Caring & Concerned

Florence Quagliaroli is an "open, honest, and confirmed person" who is sensitive to the needs of others. When she recognizes a need, she volunteers her assistance before being asked, explains Father Theodore Raczynski of Suffield's Sacred Heart Church.

Flo's leadership and efforts in the Suffield Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), the Sacred Heart Women's Guild, and the Emergency Aid Association reflecting genuine concern for people.

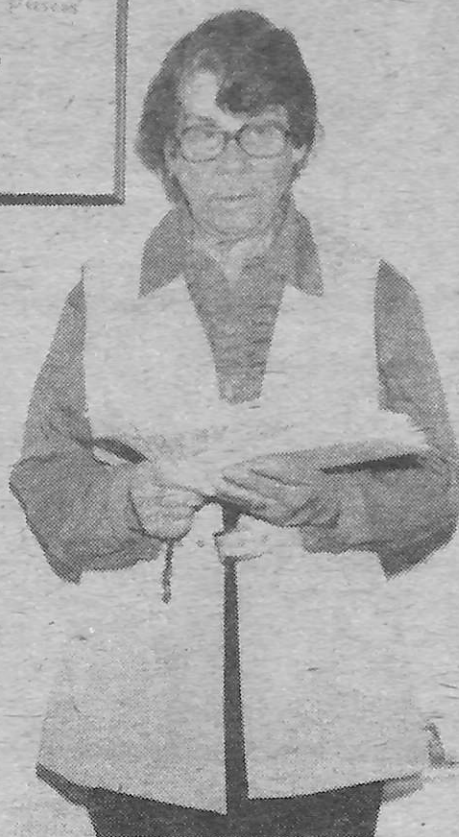
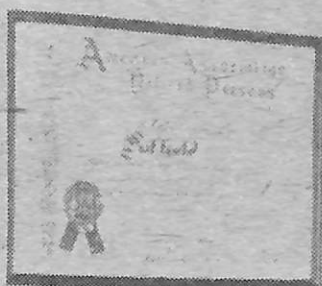
From 1955 to 1974, Flo was employed by the Suffield Emergency Aid Association as a visiting nurse. Ruth Lincoln, a former emergency aid supervisor, describes Flo's work as "thorough and complete...She always had the patients' interests at heart and the patients loved her."

Discussing her past experience at Emergency Aid, Flo says, "I enjoyed nursing, whether it involved helping someone to get better, assisting a family to deal with a serious illness, or making dying easier. I love to work with people."

With no other social worker on staff, Flo frequently took on hospice assistance on behalf of the elderly and their families.

Her interest in the elderly extended beyond the work day when, in the early 1970's, she became a charter member of the Suffield Chapter of the AARP. She was elected the group's second president, becoming the first woman to hold that office. Since then she has served as secretary and is presently the newsletter editor.

Ruth Stiles, current president of the organization, comments, "Flo is always willing to help whenever and wherever necessary."



FLORENCE QUAGLIAROLI

According to Violet Hill, Suffield Recreation Department's senior citizens activities coordinator, Flo is one of the department's strongest supporters in promoting its programs to the AARP membership.

Her concern for the elderly and her outstanding efforts on their behalf won Flo the Jaycees' Woman of the Year Award and a certificate of appreciation from

Suffield's Housing Authority in 1974.

In addition to her AARP responsibilities, she is a member of the Nurses' Club, the Suffield Committee to Redesign Public Facilities for the Handicapped, and Sacred Heart Church's Women's Guild. She sings bass in the choir and assists with the worship services as an lector.

Flo has been the guild's president twice, its secretary, its treasurer, and, since the early 1970's, the good-cheer chairperson. Maggie Philippon, guild president, refers to Flo as her right hand man, saying, "Flo is an excellent resource person for getting to know Suffield. She seems to know everyone."

Flo was born in a house presently owned by Suffield Academy. In 1935, she married Frank Quagliaroli, now a retired plumber who enjoys walking and bicycling. They have three children and seven grandchildren, to whom Flo's sense of civic responsibility seem to have been passed on.

Her two sons, Robert and David, reside in Suffield. Robert is a member of the Jaycees, and David sits on the Recreation Commission. Carol Quagliaroli Pollard, like her mother, is a registered nurse and is employed as the supervisor of Gulf Home Health services in Madeira Beach, Florida.

Flo's offices, chairmanships, and awards are the tangible evidence that distinguish her as a caring and hard-working individual. However, it is her friends and associates who provide the insight into this personable woman.

Ruth Lincoln describes Flo as a "warm Irish woman with a lot of wit...a go-getter...someone with a genuine concern for people."

Maggie Philippon characterizes her as "someone who manages to find humor in every situation and easily laughs at herself." She particularly notes Flo's enthusiasm for learning new things. "In the Women's Guild, we refer to her as the youngest one in the group," Maggie says.

When Flo was asked if she governed her life by any particular ethic, she quoted the golden rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Father Raczynski cites that standard as Flo's way of life.

### Spfld.'s Mount Carmel Church Celebrates 75th Anniversary

The 75th anniversary of the founding of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Springfield will be formally observed on May 16th beginning with a concelebrated mass at 4 p.m. in the church on William Street.

Bishop Joseph Maguire will be the principal celebrant assisted by current and former pastors of the

church and other area churches.

The provincial superior of the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy, Sister M. Angelica, is planning to attend the mass as are all the other nuns. Presidents of church societies, eucharistic ministers, lectors, participants in the liturgy, ushers, and other church affiliates will be

represented and will join in a grand procession. Mayor and Mrs. Theodore E. Dimauro will also be present, with Rev. Geoffrey Deeker acting as master of ceremonies.

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## Second Sunday In May

By Mildred Barnes Talmadge

The word *mother* has enjoyed a revered connotation through the ages. Its specific association, of course, is the female parent of the child she gave birth to, but how many areas have adopted the appellation for its relative use? There is "Mother Country" and "Mother Tongue," just to mention two.

One could wonder if there is any significance in the fact that in 1943 the Air Force, essentially male, named the electronically piloted, unmanned airplane controls "Mother." Did the men recognize mother's influence even from such a distance?

There is an old Jewish proverb that goes "God could not be everywhere, and therefore, he made mothers."

Emily Dickinson always referred to her mother with that formality. Not so, many of the characters in literature. We all remember Marmee of *Little Women*, and Dearest in *Little Lord Fauntleroy*. Proust's mother in *Swan's Way* was Mamma, as was the Bennet daughters in Jane Austin's *Pride and Prejudice*. By the turn of the century, that term had been shortened to Mama followed by Mom, which is pretty much in vogue today.

Through the years, male offspring, in an effort to be more masculine probably, are apt to call their female parent Ma or Maw. In any case, it is the inflection that carries the affection, and Mother's Day is a time to show that affection.

Keep in mind, however, that a bouquet of flowers won't last until next year's second Sunday in May.

## Suffield Booster Club Slates Tag Sale

The Suffield Athletic Booster Club is organizing its third annual tag sale, to be held Saturday, June 5th at the Suffield High School.

A town-wide pick-up day will be Saturday, May 8th. Crews of trucks, each manned by an adult driver and at least two Suffield High School athletes, will canvass the town looking for cast-off treasures such as furniture, clothes, and collectables.

All Suffield High School athletes are asked to report for work at the high school at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 8th.

Proceeds of the sale help to support athletic programs of the Suffield Public Schools. Last year the group paid for hockey ice time after each player contributed \$100.

Jackets were given to Suffield's state championship soccer team. Sweat suits have been purchased for the girls field hockey and soccer teams.

Anyone requesting a special pick-up may call Larry Green at 668-7203 or Val Bertolini at 668-5965.

## Fancy Footwork At Rainbow Review



ENTERTAINING AN ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE during last Saturday's (May 1) Rainbow Review were Amy Caron and her grandmother Mary Kvarnstrom who did a snappy and colorful Irish jig. Mary, in her younger days, won many trophies for her Irish dancing in competition all over the country. The community wide variety show directed by Ginny Young Cooper was presented by the Southwick Women's Club to raise funds to support local projects such as the ambulance fund, scholarship fund, library, and Police Department equipment. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Wolf Program at Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is holding a special family program on Mother's Day Sunday, May 9 at 1 p.m. WOLF! is an exciting afternoon spent learning about endangered species, especially wolves.

The program is hosted by John Harris and Pam Brown of the "Clem and Jethro Lecture Series" in Florida. They have travelled throughout the country for

many years, providing workshops for schools, church groups, and environmental organizations.

A feature of the program is that children and adults will meet Claire-A LIVE TIMBER WOLF. The film "Death of a Legend," a dramatic movie about human attitudes towards wolves, will be shown as well.

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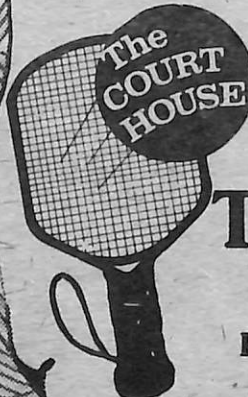
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## Walsh Names Campaign Officers

Michael P. Walsh, Democratic candidate for State Representative, today announced the officers who will comprise his campaign committee.

Walsh named his brother, William T. Walsh Jr., and Aprille Soderman to act as campaign chairmen; James Crean and Richard DiLullo, campaign managers and Elizabeth Breen Sardella, treasurer.

Also expected to head up the campaign in Southwick are, John Zanolli, a former selectman; Edward Connolly, Ralph Liptak, and Harvey Clark.

Walsh said he is "very pleased with the quality of people who are working on my behalf." He further stated, "These people and the rest of the committee share a deep interest in the community and realize that honest, effective, and qualified representation is essential to the well being of this area."

The former aide to Representative Edward Connolly for three years resigned his position a week ago to devote all his time to the campaign. "There are two key ingredients to a successful campaign," Walsh commented. "First is getting good people behind you, and second is to simply work hard. I know I already have the first ingredient and will supply the second in the coming months."

Anyone interested in participating on the committee may contact William T. Walsh Jr. at 789-0128, or write the Committee to Elect Michael P. Walsh State Representative, P.O. Box 160, Agawam.



## From The Third

By Edward W. Connolly  
MA State Rep.  
Third Hampden District

## House Budget Passed

After three consecutive sessions, each ending at midnight, the House version of the 1983 budget passed and was sent to the Senate.

According to precedent, the Senate will (1) dump the document into the nearest waste basket, (2) display

their version of what the budget should be (3) prepare for at least one week of Conference Committee meetings, some announced and some not announced.

The 12 millions in "goody" amendments tacked on by House members will probably disappear for the most part in the Senate version.

Some of these amendments were accepted by the Speaker on a voice vote and therefore had no House roll call vote foundation.

Nevertheless, the budget process this year moved quickly, despite the necessity of moving to end all debate by cloture in the final hour of the third session. Democracy by any other name, etc. etc.

Fortunately, the cities and towns do now have adequate fiscal information relating to local aid distribution and can go about the business of local budgets without the annual guessing game and wishful thinking. For the first time in memory, this vital information was agreed to and supported in both branches, prior to budget passage. Therefore, a large area of disagreement has been dealt with.

# EDITORIAL

## Let Your Budget Opinions Be Known

Many Suffield residents spoke out during the public hearing on their proposed municipal budget held last week at Suffield High.

Residents overwhelmingly pleaded with the town's Finance Committee to "cut, cut, cut" the \$8.95 million town budget down to size.

Finance Committee members, having worked many long, hard hours trying to do just that, asked the townspeople for specific areas where they'd like to see cuts made.

Few taxpayers came forth to document publicly their priorities regarding the budget. Many, however, spoke candidly among themselves or in groups following the hearing.

Specific issues were raised, concerns expressed, and honest feelings aired regarding where reductions "should" be made.

The question is: how will the Board of Finance (who represent you) be made aware of your wishes if you don't communicate with them and offer this responsible body your own good guidance?

You don't have to be eloquent speakers, certified accountants, or public officials to make your feelings known. All you have to be is willing to act on your deep, personal beliefs and be able to communicate those beliefs to members of the Finance Committee who are, after all, charged with the responsibility of making budget recommendations.

Maybe you don't feel that the 1982-83 budget should be cut? If so, your absence (or silence) at last Wednesday's hearing spoke loud and clear.

After all, 300 people is only five percent of Suffield's registered voters.

Either way, you have a responsibility to stand up and be counted. Use the phone. Write a letter. Attend the next Finance Committee meeting (Monday, May 10th at Suffield Town Hall). Just let your voice be heard - whatever your opinions are.

Don't be one who sits back, grumbles to himself and then announces, "I told you they'd do what they wanted to anyway."



## LIFT YOUR SPIRITS

By Mickey Spear

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# SCHOOL NEWS

## School Discipline Discussed By McAlister Parents

By Connie Davis

The main topic of discussion at Thursday's meeting of the McAlister Middle School Advisory Council was school discipline.

Chairman Elaine Purrington reported to the group on the progress of the Board of Education subcommittee which is studying discipline systemwide, K-12. She is involved with that group, as well. As an initial step, Mrs. Purrington noted that McAlister Vice Principal Gary Kane had distributed a questionnaire on discipline to staff and students on Tuesday. Results will be tabulated, studied and the information used by the subcommittee.

Those in attendance at the McAlister Advisory Council meeting in Principal Anthony Kula's office included parents from each grade level as well as parents of present fifth grade students who will attend McAlister in the fall.

Discussion of discipline ranged from student conduct in class, in the hallways and cafeteria, as well as at extracurricular activities and dances.

The group focused on the positive aspects of school discipline. Rev. Darwin Prince, Vicar of Suffield Episcopal Church, emphasized the importance of involving student energies, assets and talents in the process of governing student behavior.

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Linda Schulte noted that the McAlister Student Advisory Council functions to provide leadership in social functions and the parent group plans to review possible expansion of student government into other areas.

Another avenue to be explored was suggested by Mrs. Margaret Phillipon. Remembering her own school days, she stressed the value of awards for students, such as perfect attendance, or student of the day, week or month. Mrs. Phillipon's enthusiasm may be fueled by her daughter, Audra, who is active in the Suffield High School Student Council.

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A final suggestion may offer middle school students a chance to contribute to a school spirit of friendliness and citizenship. The possibility of pairing incoming sixth graders with "big brothers and big sisters" was discussed. Such a program may go a long way in welcoming new students to McAlister, and encourage leadership, the group agreed.

At its June 3 meeting at 9:15 a.m. in Mr. Kula's office, the advisory group will continue its discussion on discipline and study student scheduling. Parents of middle school students are invited to attend.

## Good-Bye Good Friend



**HOME ECONOMICS TEACHER BARBARA KALBER**, who is leaving Suffield with her family, was feted by members of the high school staff. Principal David A. Johnson presented her with a parting gift and thanked her for her efforts at the school, citing especially Barbara's involvement in "Project Care." Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Music Festival Planned

Suffield: The annual music festival featuring choruses and bands from grades five through twelve will be held on Thursday, May 13th, at 7:30 p.m. at Suffield High School. Over 600 students will take part. No tickets will be available at the door.

Musical groups will be directed by Frank Pococha, Linda Seabury, John Secora, Barbara Tanguay, and Raymond Tanguay.

## SUFFIELD SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

**Mon., May 10:** Hamburger in roll, steamed rice, carrots, applesauce, sundae, milk  
**Tues., May 11:** Turkey in gravy, mashed potato, green beans, fruit gelatin, milk  
**Wed., May 12:** High School: fruit punch, steak grinder, green salad, marble cake; Other schools: salad bar  
**Thurs., May 13:** Spaghetti with meatballs, fresh vegetable tray, ice cream, milk  
**Fri., May 14:** Apple juice, toasted cheese sandwich, macaroni salad, fruit cup, milk

## Book Fair To Be Sponsored

Suffield: West Suffield School PTO will sponsor a spring book fair at the Spaulding school on Mountain Road (Route 168) on Friday, May 14th, from 6 to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, May 15th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Books will be supplied by Bookworm Bookstores of West Hartford. Book selection features good quality reading material for preschoolers and elementary-aged children.

A selection of activity books, crossword puzzle books, dot-to-dot books, and riddle and joke books will be available for those who may be looking for a way to amuse children during long car trips planned for the summer. Buy them now and help the school at the same time.

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For further information on this event, call Chris Walsh at (203) 668-0503.

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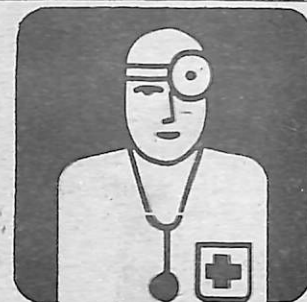
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By Stu Fuller  
Guidance Chairman  
Suffield High School

Each year around this time, the National Association of College Admissions Counselors sponsors a "College Fair" for students in various locations throughout the country. A regional "fair" will be held at the Hartford Civic Center on May 19 and 20. We would like to encourage all juniors who are "considering" college after graduation to take part in this program.

Most of the popular college choices of past Suffield students will be represented in Hartford and the fair provides the opportunity to meet with representatives and collect information to help with the decisions that will need to be made during the senior year.

Mrs. Andersen is coordinating a bus ride for the 20th (the cost will be determined later) and students may sign-up in Guidance in they would like to "ride the bus with us."

Students are encourage to use time now to select programs they might be interested in rather than go to Hartford and be overwhelmed during the very busy fair season.

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The Class of 1986 is slated to begin scheduling this Monday. McAlister students will walk over to the high school and work out their 1982-83 course of study with their soon-to-be counselor at the high school. Parents/guardians of all students are asked to be sure to review schedules and call the Guidance Office with any questions (that's called being "Squeaky" and it's welcome).

Congratulations are extended to the most recent wave of college acceptances: **Michelle Pender, Boston College; Todd Cushing, STCC; Nikki Bravy, Bay Path; John Kulas, UNH, Boston University; Tony Gehbart, WPI, UNH, Stony Brook, UConn; Kelly Murphy, Providence; Tom Morrison, Franklin Pierce, New England College; Tracy Kope, Tufts; Tracey Pedersen, SUNY; Nancy Shaughnessy, Providence, Assumption; Wendy Szczepanik, A.I.C.; Justine Serino, Salem; and Larry Samplatsky, R.I. School of Design.**

We have now heard of acceptances of 40 percent of the Class of 1982 and would like to remind seniors to let us know of any additions.

## Interact Club Leaves For Montreal Trip



**MEMBERS OF SUFFIELD HIGH'S Rotary-sponsored Interact Club anxiously pose before leaving for their week-end trip to Montreal. First row, from left, Michelle Pender, Duane Legle, Shavaun McCormack, Catherine Miller, Kelly Murphy, and Julie Thompson. Second row, Lisa Viscomi, Mary Beth Houck, Teresa Coggins, Nancy Mann, Dawn Cummock, Tracy Pedersen, Pam Norcross, Kathy Kemp, Liz Leventis and Mrs. Cathy White. Third row, Mr. Richard Davis, advisor, Tim Geary, and Mr. Jeff Gowdy. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.**

## Industrial Arts And Home Ec. Fair May 11th

Southwick: The 17th annual Industrial Arts and Home Economics Fair will be held by the high school staff this Tuesday, May 11th, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the cafeteria of Southwick High School.

This fair, with the theme "Skills Help Save," is the highlight of the school year for students in these two departments. Featured at the fair will be food, clothing, quilts, model homes, metal objects, tools, machine work, all types of woodworking, and art displays. Also presented will be printing, photography, graphic layouts, mechanical and architectural drawings, and a special unit concerning the child study program.

Each year, the fair demonstrates the skills and technology of students and shows the importance of those skills to future economic and social growth.

have designed and made in class.

Judges from local industrial plants and business agencies will award prizes in each area for skill and creativity. A special award will be presented to the student whose project is judged "best of the show."

Door prizes, many made by students, will be awarded to those in attendance at the close of the fair. Winners must be present to claim their gifts. Students and persons under 18 are not eligible for door prizes.

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As an added attraction to this year's fair, a solid cherry Grandfather Clock will be raffled under the direction of the Band Parents Club of Southwick High School.

The foods and nutrition classes will add to the spirit of the fair by serving hot and cold foods made by them as part of their program. The Home Economics Department will also display a variety of baked goods, table settings, recipes, and food preparation ideas.

A highlight of the fair will be a full dress fashion show in which students model the clothing they

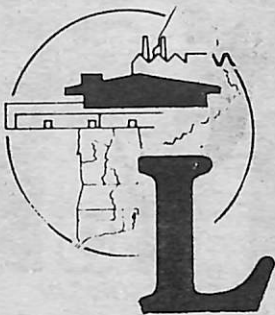
The fair is under the general direction of George Cleveland, chairman of the Industrial Arts Department, who will be assisted by Paul Brayton, metal shop instructor; Donald Puffer, graphic communications teacher; Paul Mazut, wood and metal shop instructor; and Donald Ziemba, wood shop instructor.

Staff members from the Home Economics Department assisting will be Bonnie Kibbe, foods, clothing, and textiles teacher and Mary Jane O'Donoghue, foods and child study teacher.

The fair is free and open to the public. All are encouraged to attend.

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## Suffield Students To "Learn Not To Burn"

By Karen Carlson

Families of Suffield elementary school children are being asked by the Suffield Firemen's Association to actively participate in the home practice of "Learn Not To Burn" skills being taught between May 3 - 10 in all elementary classrooms.

Students in kindergarten, first and second grades will be participating in fire drills at school, learning how to respond to fires and how to use matches safely.

Third, fourth and fifth graders will be developing escape plans, practicing safety near cooking equipment, identifying and removing electrical hazards, and encouraging safe smoking habits.

All students will be performing the **stop, drop, roll, and crawl low** in smoke techniques in their physical education classes.

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A letter from Suffield Fire Chief Thomas Bellmore has gone home to parents and guardians explaining the "Learn Not To Burn" curriculum and the week's activities.

The letter states, "We would like you (parents and guardians) to review and practice these fire safety behaviors with your child so that your child can relate this newly-acquired knowledge to your family. In this way the child will not only learn fire safety behaviors, but be able to apply them to your family's situation."

"Our objective is to encourage and motivate families to work together so that pre-planning fire safety is a part of your family's life and not something just taught in school."

Included with the letter will be a check sheet to be returned to the student's classroom teacher. This list will testify to the families' active participation in the child's fire safety education. Each child will receive recognition for their families' participation and members of the class returning the most check sheets will be awarded a prize.

To culminate the week's instructional agenda the Suffield Firemen's Association has engaged the Crosswalk Theatre who will perform their presentation "Firework" on Wednesday, May 12th at the Spaulding School.

This Boston-based group will dramatize through mime, dance and music such topics as the common causes of fire, the history of fire, children with fire, and the hazards of smoking.

Elementary music teachers will have helped to strengthen the student's involvement in the production by having taught the program's theme song, "Stop, Drop and Roll," to their youngsters.

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"This week's program is part of a continuous effort by the Suffield Firemen's Association to promote fire safety education in our schools," says Ron Carlson, Education Committee Chairman of the Suffield Firemen's Association.

The education committee has been working closely with Becky Robinson, coordinator of life education in Suffield to achieve this goal.

Carlson adds that a special note of thanks should also go to Barbara Tanguay, music teacher and head of school enrichment programs, for her assistance in arranging for the Crosswalk Theatre Production.

Ms. Robinson hopes through this joint effort of school and fire department, fire safety will become a "family affair."

## Magic Circus Coming To Southwick High

B.O.S.S. (Boost Our Southwick Schools), the non-profit group dedicated to the betterment of the Southwick Public School System, is presenting Wally Beach's Magic Circus at the Southwick High auditorium for one performance only on Saturday, May 15th, at 7:30 p.m.

Dynamic television and stage personality Dominique will bring his colorful company of magicians, clowns, and other fairy tale characters to the stage to delight young and old alike. Dominique's show business career stems back to the mid 1950's and runs the gamut from dancer, teacher, choreographer, puppeteer, producer, director, actor, model, and writer.

Sharing the spotlight with Dominique will be another multi-faceted entertainer, Gary Brodeur, an accomplished ventriloquist, comedian, and actor. Gary will bring with him his star partner in comedy, Rusty Daniels, his favorite canine Zacery, and Simon, a little green creature from outer space who landed on our planet in a cocktail lounge.

Also starring in the Magic Circus will be Loree Kaczmann of Westfield with her Acro-Dancers, a six-member troupe of talented tumblers and jazz dancers.

Tickets for the Magic Circus are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under twelve and are now on sale through members of BOSS with Carol Rahaim as chairperson and Gail Descant, Les Carpenter, and

Mary Lapaun on the committee. They may also be purchased at Platterpus Records in the Westgate Shopping Plaza in Westfield.

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**Fri., May 14:** Pepperoni & cheese pizza, Popeye salad, fruit, milk

**Mon., May 17:** Hamburger on roll, sliced cheese, french fries, chilled fruit, milk

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**Wednesday:** Same

**Thursday:** Juice, tuna salad sandwich, vegetable sticks, cheese fingers, cake, milk

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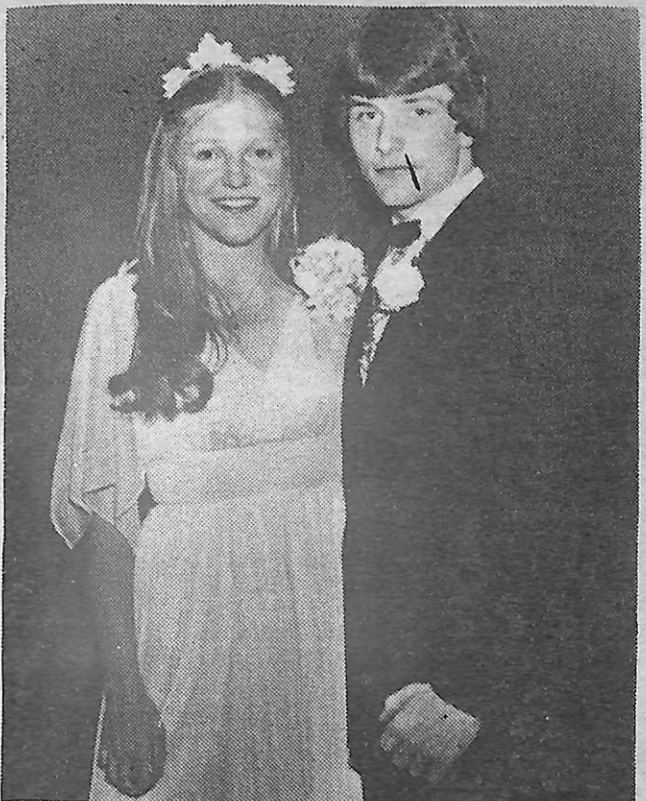
Chris Johnson



## Southwick Senior Prom



WENDY LEMIEUX and her escort, Tom Bleakley at Southwick's Senior Prom. Photo by Jack Devine.



SOUTHWICK STUDENTS Daniel Cook and his date Alison Hiers. Photo by Jack Devine.

## PACE Officers Elected At Powder Mill School

By Marsha Ramah

Southwick: At Powder Mill School last Wednesday, the third meeting of P.A.C.E. (Parents and Concerned Educators) was held and officers elected.

At the first meeting, members decided that their purpose would be to open lines of communication between school and parents. This latest meeting elected officers who would set the schedule into effect by the time school resumes in September.

Tentative plans for the next school year include monthly board meetings and four open programs which will feature speakers, panel discussions, or some kind of lecture to interest parents and teachers. Pertinent issues suggested were children's literature, discipline, drug awareness, and programs for the gifted child.

Each agenda will present an informational program that will benefit the greatest number of people. Joanne Mrazik, Program Committee chairperson, along with her group will be responsible for obtaining speakers and choosing relevant topics.

Principal Herbert Pace suggested that a strong, informational program could act as incentive for parents and teachers to become involved.

Dianna Sorrajja was elected chairman of PACE and expressed the desire of the group to become aware of what's happening in the schools and to help children deal with their problems as students. Ms. Sorrajja is a teacher in Hartford and has a daughter at Powder Mill. She hopes that her abilities as a parent and teacher will guide the new organization in the right direction.

Edward Godard, 7th and 8th grade science teacher, will represent the teachers in the organization. He will express their points of view and assist in bridging the gap between school and homes.

Other officers elected were Jean Bing-Zaremba, co-chairman; Cindy Stenvens, secretary; Ruth Lobo, Advisory Committee head. Laura Stinnette was appointed to head the Publicity Committee; Teddi Herbele, to Parent Volunteers; and Sandy Pepe, to Refreshments.

Of special interest to the group members was the Parent Volunteer Committee, a segment of the organization which will assist teachers in everyday situations. Members hope teachers will call parents whenever they need assistance and will be able to get help.

Teacher turnout for PACE was good, although parent attendance was low. The general feeling among those present was to get organized and then to concentrate on attracting more people to the organization.

Parents are encouraged to call Jean Bing-Zaremba at 569-6893 to find out more about committees which may suit their abilities and schedules.



The largest zoo in the United States is the San Diego Zoo which has 875 different species of animals.



SOUTHWICK HIGH juniors Alison Hiers (left) and Kim Hepburn were selected by the American Legion for the Girls State in Bridgewater. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Two Southwick Juniors Selected By Legion

Miss Kim Hepburn of 18 Woodside Circle, Southwick and Alison Hiers of Pine Lake Road, Granville have been selected by Unit No. 338, Southwick of the American Legion Auxiliary as its representatives to the 38th Annual Massachusetts Girls State, to convene as Bridgewater State College June 13-18, 1982.

Kim and Alison are members of the junior class at Southwick High School. More than 250 other representatives will come from all parts of the state and will participate in a week's study of local and state government. These girls are selected on the basis of potential leadership qualities.

"Our girls are part of some 18,500 third-year high school girls who will attend the Girls State of the American Legion Auxiliary this year," explained Miss Marie T. Fitzgerald, Director of Girls State. Seminars are again being held in every state (including the District of Columbia) except Alaska.

At Girls State the girls will establish and operate a miniature state government of their own. They will form two political parties, hold conventions, nominate candidates for office, conduct campaigns and hold an election. Officers elected will be installed and the executive, legislative and judicial functions of state government carried out.

Talks by high state officials, leaders in government and other professions, will be part of the Girls State program. The girls will hear about the duties and responsibilities of the various branches of government from men and women actually engaged in government work. Both from practice and study of state government, the girls will return home with a much better understanding of how American Democracy functions. More than 9,500 Massachusetts girls have participated in this citizenship program since its inauguration in 1945.

Two girls from the 1982 Girls State will be selected to represent the girls of Massachusetts at Girls Nation, to be operated in Washington, D.C., under American Legion Auxiliary sponsorship.

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# SPORTS/RECREATION

## Meet The Suffield Boys Tennis Team



MEMBERS OF SUFFIELD HIGH's boys varsity tennis team are, top row, from left, Sandra Glynn, assistant manager; Brian McEwan, Tom Naughton, Eric Drake, Dave Simmons, Rob Psholka, Kent Daigle and Coach Chris Arciero. Bottom row, Peter Mann, Dave Dixon, Brian Casanghino and Carl Casanghino. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Suffield Girls Tennis Win Fifth Match

By Dawn Cummock

Suffield High School girls tennis team won their fifth match on May 5th against Enfield to boost their record to 5-2.

Suffield proved they were the superior team on the courts considering the Wildcats were forced to forfeit one of their seven matches because the squad had enough competitors for only six matches.

Suffield's number one singles player, freshman Julie Sullivan, lost to her opponent, All-New England junior contender Karen McCartney. Suffield's number two player, Cindy Wills, also lost.

But thanks to number three and number four singles players, Lori Armata and Nancy Mann, and both doubles partners, Laurie Martin and Sue Lingenfelter and Mary Beth Prew and Diane Lingenfelter, Suffield managed to barely capture the marginal win four matches to three.

## Suffield Softball Hits First Seasonal Win

By Dawn Cummock

Suffield High's girls softball team came up with their first win of the season Wednesday by defeating East Granby in a wild 20-19 win.

The locals trailed most of the way in this free-swinging affair but began to make a serious run at East Granby in the late innings.

Suffield's Beth Glime, a sophomore playing her second year on the varsity team, drove a ball to left centerfield to give the Wildcats an opportunity to score the one run they needed to win the game in the last inning.

The Wildcats feel the win will put their season back on the winning track team after being derailed by several losses.

## Suffield Baseball Continues Slump; Now 0-7

By Rick McCarty

The Suffield High varsity baseball team has begun the season with a woeful 0-7 record. A 9-8 loss to the East Granby Crusaders on Wednesday, May 5th was one that the Wildcats could have won but didn't.

After jumping ahead in the first inning to a 2-0 lead, Suffield had confidence that was lacking in previous game. But after the second inning had ended, the home side Crusaders held a 6-3 lead. Errors, mental and physical, contributed to the uprising.

However, the confidence that was gained in the first inning was not forgotten as in the past. Led by John Bertolini's three hits and clutch hitting, the Wildcats recaptured the advantage going into the bottom of the sixth by an 8-6 count. Pitcher Jim Danise had silenced the East Granby bats for three consecutive innings.

But in the bottom of the inning, the Crusaders scored two runs with two outs as they tied the contest at 8-8. A triple and an infield base-hit helped the demise of the Wildcats.

After Suffield went down in the top of the seventh, East Granby's leadoff man sent a drive down the left field line and ended up on third with a triple. With the Suffield infield drawn in and the outfield playing shallow, a ground ball single to center won the game for East Granby.

Earlier in the week, Suffield was trounced by CVC powerhouse Windsor Locks by a 19-3 count. The Wildcats were held at bay by two Raiders pitchers who struck out 14 and yielded only four hits in nine innings pitched.

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Against NCCC leading Ellington, Suffield was white-washed by freshman phenom Steve Mitchell. With only two hits, the Wildcats were victimized by an atrocious third inning which saw the Purple Knights score all 7 of their runs.

The Somers Spartans registered a wild 10-8 win over Suffield on Monday, May 3. Trailing 10-3 going into the final inning, Suffield struck for five runs on two sacrifice flies, a wild pitch, and a two-run single by Peter Winiarski. But the rally fell short as the Wildcats left runners on second and third to end the game.

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## Suffield Recreation Department

### Therapeutic News

The Town of Suffield recently held two sporting events in recognition of the International Year of the Disabled.

On Sunday, February 21, Rebecca Robinson, former commission chairperson of the Suffield Recreation Department, organized a wheelchair basketball game to benefit the Suffield Boosters Club.

The Connecticut "Spokebenders" defeated the "New York/New Jersey All-Stars" before 300 spectators.

On Friday, February 26th the Suffield Recreation Department staff and summer camp counselors traveled to Hartford to play wheelchair soccer with members of the United Cerebral Palsy Center of Greater Hartford.

It was a unique and frustrating experience for the Suffield Recreation staff, who previously had never used wheelchairs.

While the Cerebral Palsy Center team wheeled circles around the recreation staff throughout the game, the recreation staff was able to pass with their hands more proficiently, which equalized the match.

A later goal assisted by South Windsor Assistant Director of Recreation, Karen Gubbins, enabled the recreation staff to edge the CP Center 3-2.

After the game the teams exchanged t-shirts and toured the Cerebral Palsy Center's facilities.

The recreation staff left that night with a greater appreciation of the physical obstacles disabled people have to contend with each day.

## Suffield Golf Charges Out To 9-0 Start In Defense Of NCCC

By Rick McCarty

9-0 overall and 3-0 in the NCCC. These figures would send any coach into an euphoric state so early in the season.

However, Suffield High golf coach Jim Gregor is ever-cautious about his charges. Gregor believes his team has potential but will go no further in giving a prediction for the rest of the year.

In the nine matches, defending NCCC champ Suffield has only lost 10 points of a possible 117 points. Led by third man Jeff Brackett, the Wildcats have placed the high man within their own ranks every match.

Brackett shot an 83 against Farmington and an 82 against Granby to gain medalist honors. Yet the slender junior has done even better - he fired a 78 against Bloomfield and Weaver High Schools in a tri-meet held last week.

Number two man John Kulas has been a medalist only twice thus far but has done so in flying fashion. Shooting rounds of 75 against Tolland and in a tri-meet against Ellington and South Windsor, Captain Kulas, a senior, has also shot well in other matches to help his team in total points.

By his own admission, number one man Russ Fricke has not been playing well. "I can play better," says the spunky junior. But for the Wildcats he has played just fine. A medalist twice thus far, Fricke shot an 84 against Farmington and a 76 against Enfield to gain this distinction.

After having won the NCCC last year with an undefeated record and returning that same squad, Suffield would appear to be a shoo-in for the NCCC crown again. But don't tell Gregor or his squad because they are too busy taking one match at a time.



## Recreation Center

By Cindy Meaney-Massai

### Gearing Up For Summer

The Southwick Rec Center is gearing up for the beginning of its summer programs. If anyone who has signed up for an activity has not been contacted by a coach, please call the phone numbers listed below. We hope this summer season will be a lot of fun for all those participating.

Rec Center bingo has been drawing large crowds and we appreciate all the support from those who attend. Bingo begins at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday nights so come on down and try your luck.

The Rec Center will hold its sixth "Las Vegas Night" on Saturday, May 15th, from 7:00 p.m. until midnight at the center. The Rec Center is a large yellow building located on Powder Mill Road. The \$3 admission charge and all proceeds from Las Vegas Night will be used to supplement youth activities at the Rec Center.

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## Gateway Bursts Southwick Bubble

By Chris Hout

The Southwick High baseball team absorbed their first loss of the season on Wednesday.

Gateway Regional of Huntington did the honors with a seventh inning 4-3 victory over the Rams who now stand at 6-1 on the year.

Winning pitcher Mark Gage helped his own cause with a single on a 3-2 count with two outs in the last inning to plate Scott Simoniwicz with the winning run.

Gage, now 3-0, struck out ten and allowed eight hits to the Southwick nine.



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Jimmy Porter tied the game in the top of the frame with a two-run double. Southwick initially trailed 3-0 to the 8-2 Gateway club.

"We really miss Timmy (Egerton)," said Southwick coach Jim Vincent of all .350 plus hitter who is out of the lineup with a bad ankle. "We had quite a few chances but just couldn't cash in."

"Actually John (Coward) pitched well enough to get a win," continued Vincent. "But those two errors in the same inning really killed us."

Coward's record evens to 1-1 on the year, but ace Jimmy Porter is 3-3 and Eric Jackson is 2-0.

"The pitching has been excellent," offered Vincent. "The defense in general has been good except for today's game. But hey, I'm happy with the team thus far. We just have to start getting runners home with clutch hitting. We are leaving too many runners on base at the end of each inning."

The schedule doesn't get any easier for the Southwick nine over the next week of play.

"We have a real tough schedule coming our way this week," said Vincent in reference to Smith School, Westfield Voke and Smith Academy teams he'll face.

"The pitching really has to come through when we have three and four games in one week. I'm confident that they will, they've been doing a heck of a job so far."

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## Reaching For It All



**SOUTHWICK SENIOR Donna Griffen** of the girls' track team demonstrates the long jump for Advertiser/News photographer John Loftus.

## Southwick Track Hit With Fifth Loss

By Chris Hout

The Southwick Rams boys track team suffered their fifth loss of the season Thursday against East Longmeadow.

The 2-5 locals did a receive solid performance from Dave Reed, first in the high jump (5-6), first in the 220 (24.7), second in the long jump (18-10), and third in the 100 yard dash (11.7).

Danny English placed third in the low hurdles (41.1), second in the high jump (5.4) and third in the triple jump (36.2).

Dave McClellan won the javelin toss and placed second in the pole-vaulting event.

Evan Anderson prevailed as winner in the 440-race with his time of 56.9. He placed second in the half mile with his time of 2:14.

Eric Cass won the mile, Matt McGann captured the two-mile event. Kenny Moore won the discus, Ronnie Crosler placed second in the shotput and Eric Cammisa faired the same in the javelin.

Brian Phillips placed third in the high hurdles and third in the two-mile for the Rams.

Brett Mutossian finished in the 440 and Ronnie Ward placed third in the half-mile event.

Southwick's next meet will be Monday, May 10 the against rival Agawam High at Agawam. The running events will get underway at 5:00 p.m. with the field events slated for 6:00 p.m.

## It's All Florek In 6-3 Ram Win

By Chris Hout

Senior catcher Kim Florek slammed her third and fourth home runs of the season Tuesday to lead the Southwick Rams to a 6-3 victory over Hampshire in schoolgirl softball action at Southwick.

Florek, who is now hitting .647 on the year, belted her homers in the first and third innings. She also had four of six Southwick RBI's for the day.

Defensively, Florek chipped in with two assists, one coming on an attempted steal of second by a Hampshire runner.

"She's got my vote as the best catcher in Western Mass.," said Southwick coach Mike Camerota after watching Florek do it all Tuesday. "Kim just does everything well on the ballfield. No one throws or hits better than she does."

Winning pitcher Robin Schools upped her record to 5-3 on the year. Schools tossed 104 pitches in the seven innings to complete a decision over rival Jamie Galvagni of Hampshire.

Schools struck out seven, walked four, gave up six hits and three runs. Only one run was earned.

"Robin is one heck of a competitor," said Camerota. "She's always around the plate and very consistent with her pitches."

The Rams jumped on the scoreboard first with a three run first inning off of Galvagni. After Allison Hiers bounced out to short, Pam Kirsche drew a walk and went to second as Karen Schulz' grounder was booted by Hampshire's second baseman. Florek then

cleared the bases with her shot up the alley in right centerfield.

Southwick threatened to bust the game wide open as Cindy Lapan followed Florek with a single. Kim Hepburn walked and Chris McNamara singled. Hampshire avoided any further difficulty when Karen Friss bounced out to short ending the inning.

Hampshire cut the lead to 3-2 in the third when they strung a single, a wild pitch and an error together for their two runs.

Southwick padded their lead to 5-2 with single runs in the third and fourth frame.

Florek's homer to left center provided the loan run for the locals in the third and the fifth run in the fourth was plated without the aid of a hit.

Friss and Schools each reached base on Hampshire errors. Hiers and Schulz added sacrifices to plate Friss with the fifth run. Credit Schultz with the RBI.

Marcela Zalot crashed a tremendous homer to right field in the sixth to cut Southwick's margin to 5-3 but the determined Rams came right back with a run in their half of the frame on a Friss single, a wild pitch, a sacrifice by schools and a sacrifice fly by Hiers scoring the runner.

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